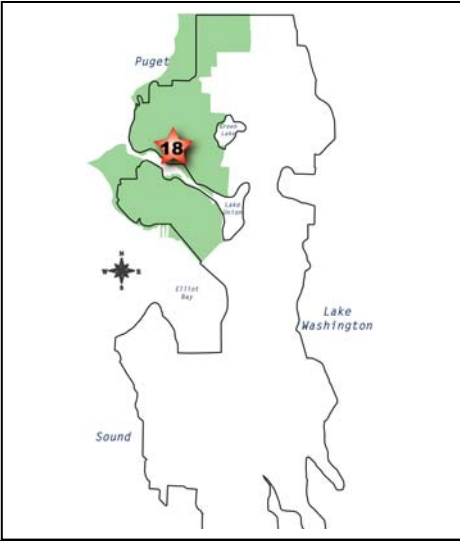



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About the Station:

Station 18 is the lead station for Battalion IV, which covers most of northwest Seattle. The station houses a large number of functions. Its core operations comprise an engine company (E18), a ladder unit (L8), a medic unit (M18), and a battalion chief unit. It houses a number of reserve units as well, including a reserve battalion chief unit, a reserve ladder unit (L384), and a reserve medic unit. The station, along with Station 25, also houses one of the Department's two hose wagons. These wagons, converted from older engines, are capable of laying and pumping water through 6,000 feet of hose.

In 2002, the station dispatched approximately 6,500 units. Of these, about 4,800 were in response to fire calls and about 1,300 were in response to requests for EMT or paramedic assistance. The remaining dispatches responded to a range of other requests, including those for investigations, rescues, and fuel leaks and spills.

As one of the newer stations in the system, Station 18 is in generally good condition. It is unique among the Department's stations in that it received a thorough seismic upgrade in the 1990s.

What the Plan Would Do:

Station 18 requires no seismic retrofits; its classification as a seismic and safety upgrade project relates to only its proposed safety improvements and some modest remodeling. This work will reconfigure the west apparatus bay to accommodate decontamination equipment as well as crew preparation and vehicle maintenance functions. Existing storage areas will provide storage space for EMS and major disaster equipment, and the existing basement will be remodeled to accommodate fitness equipment and additional equipment and storage facilities that will be displaced by the main floor remodel. The work will also feature a significant upgrade to the station's heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system.

Planned Station Features:

Technical Capacities

- Bay space for eight apparatus, including a battalion chief bay
- Decontamination/clean room
- Maintenance work area and compressor
- Storage for major disaster supplies and EMS equipment
- Hose tower
- Training facilities: drilling platform, training classroom

Administrative and Crew Areas

- Secure public lobby
- Station office
- Bunker gear room
- Beanery kitchen and dining room
- Physical fitness room
- Firefighter bunk rooms
- Toilet/shower rooms
- Laundry room

Estimated Cost:

The estimated cost of this safety upgrade project is \$1.0 million and will be funded from levy proceeds. This amount includes inflation and the cost of an interim facility.